



November 2020

Our Lady's Messenger

Our Stewardship Journey

Thank you, Fr. Bruce, for asking us to share our stewardship story with our parish.

Our names are Janae and Stephen Ronning. We have two daughters; Sabryn, who is a sophomore and Sienna, who is a freshman, both at Bishop Ryan Catholic School.

Growing up in the Catholic faith, I witnessed my parents practicing stewardship often. My mom was a Eucharistic minister, and my dad was on the parish council as well as a confirmation leader for me and some of my siblings. My dad always said the first check he wrote every month was to the church. With 6 kids and 2 of them disabled, I was well aware of the financial struggles my parents faced, but he held steadfast to that rule saying that God always provided, and so he made sure to always give to the church first in gratitude for God's blessings. So, I grew up seeing the importance of giving back and sharing the talents and time we were given. In my Junior year of high school, I had a friend ask me to co-teach CCD with her. I ended up teaching through my senior year. At the time, I was young and didn't know much about teaching, but I remember feeling the importance of sharing my time, and I enjoyed getting to know the kids in my parish. After I graduated college with a degree in Elementary Education and I was beginning my career, I decided to return to the CCD classroom as well. I felt compelled now that I was a teacher and knowing how much the sisters, who taught my theology classes at the University of Mary, impacted my faith.



Ronning Family, Janae, Stephen, Sabryn and Sienna

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Our Lady of Grace

Thanksgiving Mass:

Nov. 26, 10:00 am

Christmas Masses:

Christmas Eve:

Dec. 24, 4:00 & 9:00 pm

Christmas Day:

Dec. 25, 10:00 am

Incense will be used at 9:00 pm Christmas Eve Mass and the 10:00 am Christmas Mass.

No incense will be used at the 4:00 pm Mass on Christmas Eve

New Year's Mass Schedule:

Dec. 31: 5:00 pm followed by potluck & bingo.

Jan. 1: 10:00 am

Please watch the bulletins for information on Penance Services and additional times for confessions with Fr. Bruce.



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Our Mission:

Our Lady of Grace Parish is a community of faith that encourages stewardship through word, sacrament and service.

Cohabitation: Living Together Before Marriage

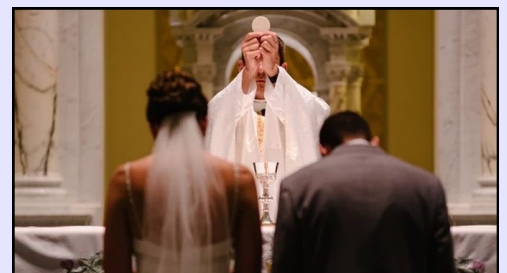
“So,” someone may ask, “does the church now approve of couples living together as husband and wife before they are actually married?” This is such a common occurrence in our age that it is easy for people to be confused about this issue. After all, the world would tell us it only makes sense with so many marriages failing these days that a couple try out marriage ahead of time to see if they are compatible together and can truly get along. And besides, they can save a lot of money by paying rent on only one living space. So “yes”, this makes great “worldly” sense.

But God’s wisdom is not the same as the wisdom of this world. A life commitment is not something one can try out. One is either “all in” or not. To pretend is not the same as living a committed life. One can always walk away from a “temporary commitment.” So, these two arrangements are not the same. A Catholic sacramental marriage, which is called Holy Matrimony, is a sacrament of the church which means God is at the center of this commitment. His presence and grace are there to assist the couple in living out the ups and downs of married life. Once the vows are spoken, the man and woman both know their partner has made a life commitment to him/her, and so they don’t need to tip toe around any longer and can be completely himself/herself.

Acting as though already married and living with sexual intimacy before committing to marriage is called fornication. The Lord has very harsh words for those who live with this sin: In Mark 7:21 Jesus says, “For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft,

murder... All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.” 1 Cor. 6:18 “Shun fornication. Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself.” Col 3:5 “Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire and greed (which is idolatry); on account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient.” Hb 13:4 “Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers.” And finally, Rev 21:8 “But as for the cowardly, the faithless, the polluted, the murderers, the fornicators, the sorcerers, the idolaters, and all liars, their place will be in the lake that burns with fire and sulfur, which is the second death.” The Word of God could not be more clear about this sin. May God strengthen all who find themselves tempted in this area.

By Fr. Bruce



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Catholic Moms Support Each Other

"Motherhood is God's gift to women."

A statement by Mother Teresa in her message to women at the 1995 Beijing World Conference On Women

As a young mom Monique Franks from Our Lady of Grace Parish, felt it would be very helpful to have an organized support group of Catholic Moms who together could share their journey of motherhood. With encouragement from Father Bruce and Deacon Steve, the Catholic Moms Group was organized. The group is made up of Catholic Moms from all four Minot parishes and meet twice a month from September through May at Our Lady of Grace Dining Room and at a park during the summer. Moms of all ages are welcome, from those with newborns to those with grandkids. It's nice to have that mix because the older moms can encourage the younger ones, reassuring them that the struggles of the various stages of childhood don't last forever! Children can come to the meetings with their moms, eat breakfast and play with their new friends while mom participates in the day's lesson.

The session begins with a breakfast which is set up and provided by 3 or 4 moms who have been assigned by the leadership team. The leadership team, with input from the moms, arrange speakers as well as enrichment lessons. The lessons may be anything that the group might feel is pertinent to our lives as wives and mothers striving to instill the Catholic faith in our children and as we try to truly live our Catholic faith in our daily lives.



"The loveliest masterpiece of the heart of God is the love of a Mother."

St. Therese

Moms are made to feel that the group gatherings are a safe place to share and often during the course of discussions will share that they or a family member are struggling with something (like an illness, emotional issues, work/financial issues, etc.), so we spend time praying for those needs and struggles and support them in

any way we can.

Check the church bulletin for when the Catholic Moms Group will meet again. New members are always welcome.

The following testimonials express how the Catholic Moms Group has inspired them:

"Catholic Moms of Minot has changed my life, spiritually and emotionally. When I converted to the Catholic Church, I was very alone within my friend and family group, and I was also pretty alone in Minot since we had moved to the area from the other side of the country. Catholic Moms has been with me through the conversion of my husband, health problems (which they helped raise money for me to go to Mayo Clinic for), a new baby, a new home, and everything in-between. These women and our shared faith have become my "village" in which to do all the things that mothering requires." — Samantha Bice

"I felt that there was need placed on my heart to have a group for Catholic Moms to gather and help one another on their faith journey as wives and mothers. Father Bruce and Deacon Steve encouraged me to pursue this. With the help of a handful of other moms, we created a small group and meet twice a month. Over time, others have joined our group and we continue to support one another in a variety of ways. Our goal is always spiritual growth in our Catholic Faith, fellowship for women and kids and stewardship of our time and talents!" —Monique Franks

"I enjoy the fellowship with like-minded moms, sharing our joys and struggles, supporting each other with advice, encouragement, example, and prayer." —Mary Finley

"I was attracted to the Moms Group because it reminded me of a group some friends and I started when my children were small many years ago. We had young Moms and retired Moms/Grandmas. I'm the Grandma in the group and have been led to find good Catholic Enrichment for the group." Bev Cushing



Catholic Mother's Group

By Edith Schall

IMPORTANT DATES

(Event dates are all subject to coronavirus precautions)

November

- 1 - All Saints' Day
- 1 - Knights of Columbus Breakfast for Home on the Range and Special Olympics
- 2 - Parish Office Closed
- 2 - 7:00 PM **Remembrance Mass**
- 11 - No Faith Formation Classes
- 13 - 2:00 PM Bingo Social
- 15 - 3:00 PM **Spanish Mass** followed by fellowship
- 25 - No Faith Formation Classes
- 26 - 10:00 AM Thanksgiving Day Mass
- 26 - 27 Parish Office Closed
- 29 - No Faith Formation Classes

December

- 5 - 8:30 AM CGS Catechist & Aide Meeting
- 5 - 10:30 AM Altar Society Christmas Lunch
- 6 - 8:30 AM - 12:00 NOON
Knights of Columbus Benefit Breakfast for Our Lady of Grace Food Pantry
- 7 - 5:30 PM **Feast of Immaculate Conception Vigil Mass**
- 8 - 7:00 PM **Feast of Immaculate Conception Mass**
- 8 - Parish Office Closed
- 11 - 2:00 PM Bingo Social
- 12 - 9:00 AM First Reconciliation #1
- 12 - 10:30 AM First Reconciliation #2
- 12 - 7:00 PM **Spanish Mass & Fellowship** (see page 11)
- 13 - 11:45 PM Children's Christmas Program
- 20 - No Faith Formation until 1-3-2021
- 24 - 4:00 PM **Christmas Vigil Mass**
- 24 - 9:00 PM **Christmas Vigil Mass**
- 24 - Parish Office Closed
- 25 - 10:00 AM **Christmas Day Mass**
- 25 - Parish Office Closed
- 31 - 5:00 PM **Mary, Mother of God Holy Day Vigil Mass**
- 31 - 6:00 - 9:00 PM New Year's Eve Potluck Dinner and Bingo

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Once Steph and I got married, I stepped out of the CCD classroom due to the demands of my job and coaching duties. I felt bad that I couldn't teach anymore, so I decided to shift my attention to participating in the Mass. I studied music in college and felt like I could share my talents there. I sang with the guitarist and played my saxophone with the violinist. I very much enjoyed sharing my musical talents at Mass. I also became a Eucharistic Minister. I always felt God gave me the talents He did so I could share them with others. Once we had our girls, it was a bit more challenging, but we loved participating in the Mass. But then came our move. Everything changed.

Stephen: My stewardship journey started over 20 years ago. Growing up in a Protestant family where in some respects, Sundays were just another day, religion wasn't a big part of our lives. As Janae and I began discussing the possibility of getting married, she told me that her faith was very important to her and she would like me to become Catholic. At the time, I wasn't exactly sure what that meant but thought, "ok I'll give it a try." Upon completion of the RCIA classes at Christ the King, Fr. Al Leary asked if I'd consider being a Eucharistic minister at any one of the three Masses. While there wasn't an abundance of ministers at the time, he said it would be every weekend for a while, until they could fill the vacancies. I remember thinking to myself, every weekend? I have to commit to being available every weekend to attend Mass? This was certainly an expectation shift from what I was used to growing up. After a couple of weeks of thinking about it, I told Fr. Al that I would do it. At this point in my journey, Janae and I hadn't yet made Mass a priority and part of our weekly schedule, but something was pulling me to say "yes", to answer the call. All the while, I was continuously looking for more as something was missing out of my life. As it turned out, that something was Jesus. After a couple weeks of distributing the Body and Blood of Jesus, I realized it was a gift to be a Eucharistic Minister. To be able to share the Body and Blood of Jesus with others was a true blessing and one I haven't taken lightly since. I could feel God's power in the moment, and while I believe He is present in the Eucharist, becoming a Eucharistic Minister makes it feel so real. Being entrusted to distribute the Body and Blood of Christ can be nerve wracking, but I also feel a great sense of calm knowing that He really is there.

Janae: In 2007 we moved to Minot. It was not a welcome move for me. My dad died on our moving day, I had to quit my teaching job, and I felt like I lost all my support leaving our families and friends. We attended Mass at OLG commonly seated in the back, didn't talk to many people, and didn't become official members for over a year. I was so open to stewardship in Mandan, but I couldn't fully engage here. Once we became members, we received the Stewardship form in the mail which I had never seen before. My old parish didn't do it that way. As I looked over the form and started to fill it out, I realized it was time to get involved. I knew once I did, I would finally let go of the move and all that was holding me back. I didn't feel connected and I could hear my dad's voice in my head reminding me how, no matter what the situation was, he always gave to the church first. I told Steph I was going to sign the girls up for the Bible camp and I was going to volunteer. We both talked about the example we wanted to set for our girls. We started by letting them choose each week where we would sit in church. They always picked the front pew behind Fr. Bruce; so we made the move and never looked back. Once

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the girls started Faith Formation, I volunteered to teach. I taught and helped out with Dare to be a Disciple for 5 years. I never got to be an altar server as a child because it was only for boys; so I knew I wanted the girls to be able to serve. The only problem was, they had to wait until 4th grade. When they were in 1st and 2nd grade, we saw in the bulletin that they needed servers for Stations of the Cross during Lent. We signed up and one of us would hold the cross (it was too tall for them to carry), and the girls held the candles. Sienna



Sabryn and Sienna

needed a belt to keep her robe from tripping her, but they both made it through Stations and immediately signed up for the next week. Fast forward 8 years and they still enjoy serving at Stations. Now they fight over who gets to carry the cross. This last Lent got cut short because of Covid, but we still made it to serve at Stations. The benefit of going to Stations every week during Lent has taught our girls so much, and I encourage other families with children to start that tradition. Once Sabryn started serving, I decided to become a Lector. I haven't been able to sing in the choir because of teaching conflicts during the practices; so I decided to Lector instead. Being a Lector can be intimidating for some, but I start reading the scripture readings around Tuesday of the week before I lector. By the time Sunday comes around, the words have settled into my soul and have spoken to me in a way they normally wouldn't. Even though I'm a teacher and speak often to people, I still get nervous. Before each Mass I say a prayer to allow God to use my voice to reach the ears of His parishioners. Giving of our time and talent is important to our family. Through our sharing of this talent, we feel a strong sense of community and that sense continuously pulls us closer to Jesus.

Stephen: As we've mentioned before, both of our girls are very active where they can be. Whether they're using their talents to be altar servers or carrying the Cross during Stations, their wanting to participate makes both Janae and myself very proud. We both wanted to instill within them the importance of being doers of the word and living their faith. Even as teenagers today, both Sabryn and Sienna have demonstrated a strong ownership of their faith, willingness to give and wanting to be a part of the Church community. When asked to fill in by either Fr. Bruce or Deacon Steve, both girls have instantly said yes. They understand that stewardship expresses our obedience regarding the administration of everything God has placed under our control, which is all encompassing. Stewardship is the commitment of one's self and possessions to God's service, recognizing that the possessions and gifts that we have are a direct result of God. Through their stewardship pledge, both girls demonstrate an understanding that by only reading the word of God and not practicing it, you will lose all the wisdom and blessings God has in store for you.



Fr. Bruce, Sabryn, Stephen, and Sienna serving for Stations of the Cross

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January

1 - 9:00 am Mary Mother of God Holy Day Mass

1 - Parish Office Closed

3 - 8:30 AM - 12:00 Noon Knights of Columbus for Dakota Hope Clinic

3 - 2:00 - 4:00 PM First Eucharist Retreat (Option 1)

7 - 6:30 - 8:30 PM Make-up for First Eucharist Retreat

8 - 2:00 pm Bingo Social

17 - No Faith Formation Classes

17 - 3:00 PM **Spanish Mass** followed by fellowship

22 - 7:00 PM **Respect Life Mass** for Aborted Babies

26 - 2:00 - 4:00 PM CGS Teacher and Aide Meeting

27 - Family Faith Night- Amazing Race!

30 - 4:00 PM First Eucharist Rite of Enrollment

31 - 8:30 and 10:30 AM First Eucharist Rite of Enrollment

Mass of Remembrance

Every year around All Souls Day, our parish hosts our annual Mass of Remembrance. At this Mass we honor our parishioners who passed away that year. Each of these departed dear ones is memorialized with a 7 day candle which is lit and burns throughout the Mass. A family member is invited to take this candle, which has the loved one's name on it, along home and to pray for this family member whenever the candle is lit. We want to invite you all to join us in commending to the Lord these former parish members. This Mass will be held in our church at 7PM, Monday, November 2.



Grace abounds through the sacraments!

We were blessed with an abundance of children receiving sacraments this fall!

Because the April 2020 First Communion Masses had to be postponed due to the coronavirus, 68 children received the sacrament this summer and fall.



Parishioner, Sophie Cartier with her family and Father Bruce

Twenty children received First Communion during a number of Masses in August and September. The remaining 48 children participated in two special First Communion Masses the weekend of October 3 and 4. Due to distancing requirements, the Masses could not be held during our regular Mass

times, so Fr. Bruce scheduled one for 7:00 p.m. Saturday, October 3, and the other for 1:00 p.m. Sunday, October 4.

The next Sunday, October 11, 24 students received the sacrament of Confirmation in a 2:00 p.m. Mass.



While preparation for these special October Masses were taking place, Faith Formation classes began for more than 250 children (the number registered as of September 24) in preschool through high school. This year's Confirmation

class consists of 33 students, while those preparing for First Reconciliation (confession) and First Eucharist (communion) is even higher and continues to grow.

Nineteen children, that we know of, currently participate in homeschool Faith Formation at the elementary school level.

A few students who normally participate in in-person Faith Formation classes did not return this year, but the majority did. So many of the

6 parents have expressed gratitude for a return to some sense of normalcy for their

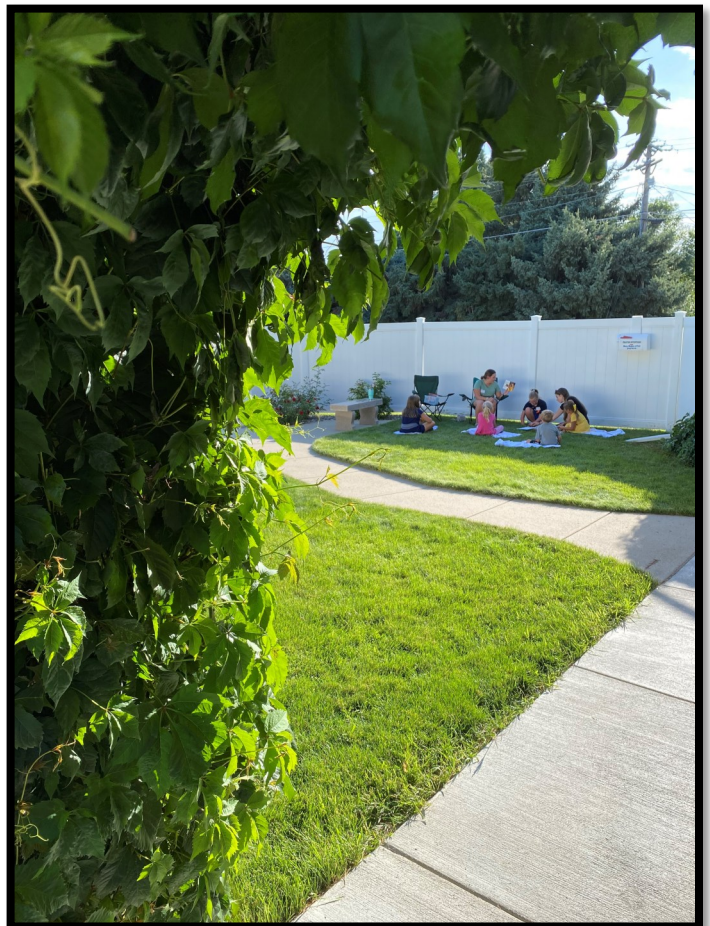
children who had to quit attending Faith Formation, school and other activities due to the virus in March. Of course, we follow guidelines of distancing and extra cleaning, but we try to give the students a comfortable faith-focused environment while they are here for classes.

We are so grateful to the many people who help with our Faith Formation and Youth programs each year! Our Faith Formation team members range in age from middle school students to 90 years old. We couldn't possibly serve the Lord and all of these children without each and every one of them!

If God has put it upon your heart to help with our parish children, please follow up on His desire for you and contact Tanya or Christine in the Faith Formation offices. You can begin anytime during the year. There is no doubt, when you use your gifts to serve God and His children, you will be truly blessed.

By Tanya Watterud

During our August Vacation Bible School, we had our faith lessons in our beautiful Mary's Garden.



Learning about Jesus birth through action and song

Children in Kindergarten through 5th grade are invited to participate in our annual Children's Christmas Program.

Please sign up on the bulletin board in the classroom hallway or contact Christine Aberle in the Faith Formation office or at 701-818-2605.

Rehearsals are on two Saturdays from 2:45 to 3:45PM: Dec. 5 and Dec. 12. The performance is Sunday, Dec. 13, after the 10:30AM Mass (so approximately 11:45AM).

All are invited to the performance! We usually have a special visitor there, too, with a treat for all the children. Who do you think our visitor might be?



Join us at our New Year's Eve Party!

Do you like to play bingo? If you do, this is the place to be. Everyone is invited to celebrate the Mary, Mother of God Holy Day Mass with us at 5:00 PM on New Year's Eve and then join us at 6:00

PM in our parish dining room for a potluck dinner. Those with their last name starting with the letters **A-H** are asked to bring desserts; **I-Q** bring main dishes ; and **R-Z**, bring salads. After dinner, we will play bingo. We invite everyone who has any "white elephant" items in their home to bring them along for prizes. We will end at 9:00 PM.

See you there!



Patience: The Amazing Race is almost here

"We urge you . . . be patient with all. See that no one returns evil for evil; rather, always seek what is good for each other and for all. Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing. In all circumstances give thanks, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus."

– 1 Thessalonians 5:14-18

The year 2020 has been one that has certainly tried our patience. That is why it is such a gift to us that the 2021 Amazing Race event will focus on Saints who demonstrated patience during their lives. We need these saintly examples to help us through our own big and small challenges.

Mark your calendar for Wednesday, January 27, when our Stewardship Committee will host the annual Amazing Race – a night dedicated to providing an atmosphere where our parish children and people of all ages can learn about our Catholic faith in a fun and unique way. Please watch the bulletin and Faith Formation letters for more information on times of the event.

Do you want to prepare before the big day? Consider finding a book or internet information about St. Monica, St. Joseph or St. Mother Teresa, who are three of the saints who will be highlighted. We have numerous books about saints in the parish library which is located in the Faith Formation office; as well as on the library cart in the parish's gathering space.



Patience
Is adjusting your
time to God's time
Mother Angelica

OUR LADY OF GRACE PARISH

Annual Report

As is our custom, we present our Annual Report. Currently 1,266 households (about 3,276 individuals) are registered in our parish family. We have been a stewardship parish for about 16½ years now. In September we began our Stewardship Renewal when we recommitted ourselves to be good stewards of our time, talent and treasure. God continues to bless us individually and as a parish. May we continue to share those blessings!

Fr. Bruce Krebs, Pastor

Deacon Steve Streitz, Parish Manager

Stewardship of Time and Talent

Sacramental Life

Baptisms	68
Funerals	54
Confirmations	24
Weddings	19
First Communions	9

Ministries and Activities

310	Bible Study and Faith-Sharing Group Participants
30	Eucharistic Adorers
235 families	Liturgical Ministers, including Musicians
55	Members, Councils and Committees
69	Outreach (Homebound/ Nursing Home Ministers, Transportation)
135	Prayer Chains (Telephone and Email)



Pantry part of TWICE BLESSED Grant Program

St. Joseph's Community Health Foundation has awarded Our Lady of Grace Food Pantry the opportunity to be part of the TWICE BLESSED Matching grant program.

From November 15 through the end of December, eligible gifts given to St. Joseph's Community Health Foundation for your food pantry's TB campaign will be matched by the St. Joseph's Community Health Foundation up to the amount provided in the Matching Fund Agreement. Every gift matched doubles the blessing.

For more information go to <https://sjchfnd.com/twice-blessed/> or call 701-837-1726.

Volunteers of varied faith backgrounds helped us keep the Our Lady of Grace Food Pantry operating during the coronavirus pandemic. We are in need of more volunteers to keep our doors open.

Please prayerfully consider if you are able to assist in our food pantry. Please contact Joyce Sand for more information at 721-9221.



Our Lady of Grace Food Pantry

July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020

	2018-2019	2019-2020
Income:		
Pantry Income OLG Parishioners	31,003.04	38,770.71
Pantry Interest Earned	0.00	0.00
Pantry Income Grants	20,287.57	27,808.54
Pantry Income Non-OLG	47,220.63	63,701.10
Total Income:	98,511.24	130,280.35
Expenses:		
Food:	61,803.41	72,201.47
Medical/Housing/Rent Assistance:	0.00	10,415.94
Facility and Administrative Expense:	20,621.28	17,034.43
Equipment (Used Forklift), Maintenance/Repair:	6,135.87	5,311.21
Total Expenses:	88,560.56	104,963.05
Income-Expenses:	9,950.68	25,317.30
Food Distributed:		
Food Donated to Pantry, in pounds:	148,171	90,553
Food Purchased, in pounds:	216,723	269,339
Pantry Volunteers:	120	120
Monthly Average People Served:		
Households:	504	447
Individuals:	1,258	1,084
Children:	475	386
Senior Citizens:	112	88

Our Lady of Grace Parish - Annual Statement

July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020

Stewardship of Treasure

Financial Statement

Your good stewardship provides not only for our parish needs but extends beyond Our Lady of Grace Parish to our diocese, our community and beyond.

		<u>2018-2019</u>	<u>2019-2020</u>
Income:			
Contributions	Adult Envelopes - Sundays and Holy Days	816,743.39	807,171.30
	Youth and Children's Envelopes	7,899.68	4,983.94
	Loose Currency	67,560.50	52,962.00
Investment Income		138.79	132.81
Transfer from Savings for BRCS Foundation Payment		46,200.00	0.00
Committees/Councils		2,650.59	2,603.00
Activities/Ministries (Weddings, Funerals, Sanctuary, Facility Usage)		26,094.48	37,147.47
Education (Adult Educ., RE Tuition, Grant, VBS, Camp)		21,742.89	13,200.00
Other Donations and Misc Income		48,719.67	28,463.37
Income (excluding Dedicated Accounts)		1,037,749.99	946,663.89
Expense:			
Staff Expense	(Salaries/Taxes/Insurance, Clergy Expense, Mileage)	328,374.94	332,919.16
Facilities/Utilities	(including improvements)	135,444.72	120,999.10
Committees/Councils		7,143.47	3,559.48
Education Exp.	(Adult Educ., Religious Education Books and Supplies; Youth Camp; VBS; Bishop Ryan Catholic Schools Subsidy, BRCS Campaign and BRCS Stewardship Cost of Education)	342,271.75	353,365.54
Activities/Ministries (Weddings, Funerals, Sanctuary, Facility Usage)		34,884.50	25,447.11
Office (Postage, Telephone, Supplies, Printing, Equipment)		67,170.63	68,346.86
Transfer to Savings Accounts		55,000.00	0.00
Other Expense (liturgy, flowers, etc.)		20,003.05	28,967.19
Expense (excluding Dedicated Accounts)		990,293.06	933,604.44
Income - Expense		<u>47,485.93</u>	<u>13,059.45</u>
Receipts - Dedicated Accounts:			
God's Share, African Mission, Holy Land, Rice Bowl, Memorials, Tuition Assistance Program, St. Gianna's Home		150,052.16	99,347.17
Expenditures - Dedicated Accounts:			
God's Share, African Mission, Holy Land, Rice Bowl, Memorials, Tuition Assistance Program, St. Gianna's Home		166,849.73	93,070.99
YTD Change in Dedicated Accounts		<u>-16,797.57</u>	<u>6,276.18</u>
Cash Balance 7/1/19		102,175.68	
Income		946,663.89	
Expenses		-933,604.44	
Transfer from Savings		0.00	
Transfer to Diocesan Expansion Fund Account		0.00	
Net Change Dedicated Accounts		6,276.18	
Payroll Liabilities		-6,207.90	
Cash balance 6/30/19		<u>115,303.41</u>	

Our Parish Family

July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020

New Parishioners and Families of:

Clay and Erin Anderson and Lani, Hope, Vivvy, Nora, and Milo; Tracy Ramirez and Mikaila Ramirez-Santos; Brock and Megan Awalt and Kirie; Roxene Medina Quinonez and Nayancy, Naidelyn and Dylan; Damian and Krystal Anderson and Hayden; Devin and Tiffany Walter and Keegan and Ethan; Eugene and Darlene Langham and Alexander and Nicholas; Delores Swehla; Mitchell McGee; Amy and Titus Clouse and Blake Clouse; Trevor and Shareen Mendiola, Noah and Kalae'o, Taylene, Tomika, Colby, Tishauna, and Ha-ani; Ernesto and Kiriat Perez and Julian, Taliyana and Yoslin; Ryan and Anna Skarphol and Lucy and Janie; Kelsey Schiele and Cambree; Derek Hartl and McKaya Diaz and Chase; Eva Goodman; David and Megean Glasheen and Carter and Abigail; Elijah Hoffarth; Hector and Monica Villalpando and Mayra and Monica; Celine and James Bartsch; Alexandria Steiger; Jeremy Beck and Tessa Karg and Stella, Kyla and Briah; Carol Stemen; Francisco Santillan and Crystal Fattorini and Isabelle; Joshua and Larissa Noyes and Quinley; Osvaldo and Karla Lusena and Jesus, Carlos, Nestor; Aaron and Makenzie Shewmake; Vicki Thiel; Kayla Streitz and Avalynn; Stephanie Sperling and Aubry, Avery, Ayden, and Holdyn; Jennifer Erbstoesser; LaVonne Reiersen; Erich and Aften Grant and Owen, Arie, and Noah; Manuel Vargas Ayalo and Janeth Julieta Zambrano Sanchez and; Aruna and Aliza; Robert and Shari Morris and Callan and Cooper; Carlos Gutierrez; Alejandra Gutierrez-Salazar and Adrian McGary and Evangeleen and Adrian; Mary Borkhuis; David and Samantha Forster and Daniel, Joseph, and Lucy; Kylor Bailey and Grayson, Evelyn, and Justin; Kolton and Jayden Larson and Mack; April Hood; Warren Anderson; Marie Pardon; Mathew and Sara Gillis and Linnea; Kendra Hansen and Quiana and Quincy; Mason and Hannah Lautenschlager and Axel; Tristan Dissette and Breklyn Erickson and Ka-Lani; René and Daniela Gutierrez; Dane and Alison Johnson and Clark and Jade; Tyrone and Pamela Dahly; Lynn and Susan Schiele; Michael and McKenzie Delorme and Kysen and Mason; Adolph and Alice Lorz; Dale and Jackie Plessas and Emily, Kennedy, and Kaitlyn; Bonnie Steen and Regan and Riley; Paul and Marianne Wilcox; Ricardo Garcia and Ruth



Gomez and Dylan, and Randy; Donald and Anna Aaseth and Wyatt and William; Andres and Stephanie Casarez; William Morgan; Betty Heintz; Cody Sundby and Erica Olson and Kasen Sundby

Baptisms:

Kova Gillstrap, Isaac Schmidt, Alexandra Wersal, Azrael Bauer, Samuel Ellis, Landon Ellis, Rebecca Romich, Violet Glaser, Kylan Dissette, Aiden Ndema, Kirie Awalt, Samuel Hopkins, Olivia Mathura, Leopold Staley, Analia Acosta, Brittany Ukah, Brinley Hengen, Charlie Schooling, Stella Beck, Everett Gjellstad, Chase Hartl, Hayden Anderson, Myla Hieb, Anna Vasyilkova, Larry Urban, Clara Niess, Kasen Sundby, Chase Reiter, Monica Villalpando, Mayra Villalpando, Savannah Quam, Axel Lautenschlager, Crew Eckmann, Carter Ryan, Beckett Ogle, Ka-lani Dissette, Halle Weidler, Michael Longie, Karolina Klein, Avalynn Streitz, Gannon DeCrans, Amelia Haverstock, Whelan Bekkedahl, Ha-ani Mendiola, Hendryx Burkhartsmeier, Julio Del Angel, Carlos Del Angel, Callan Morris, Cooper Morris, Kora Fagerlund, Grant Owen, Emmit Vickerman, Ellanora Vickerman, Lane Emerson, Adrian McGary, Eden Walker, Aaron Shewmake, Vicki Thiel, Stephanie Hodge, Aruna Vargas Zambrano, Avery Sperling, Aubry Sperling, Mack Larson, Emma Magnin, Daniel Forster, Kysen DeLorme, Jackson Pieper, and Trey Thompson.



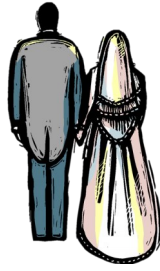
Deaths:

Donald Donahue, Mike Mitzel, Karen Berard, Kenneth Kramer, Christopher Aberle, Therese Dahl, Edward Salwey, Janie Lee, Raymond Hennessy, Helen Weinger, Gerald Qvale, Duane Bachmeier, Julie Jundt, Roger Rohrer, Andrew Deibert, Lois Otten, Andrew Klabo, Donna Lochthowe, Maynard Sandberg, Gary Louser, Richard Vreeland, Lugardia Schwan, Philipina Bertsch, Gregory Bierschbach, Willian Ross, Elizabeth Volk, Herman Fettig, Peter Muus, Lloyd Luchsinger, Fr Leo Kinney, Elaine Klein, Charlotte Schmit Miller, Kiya Zarley, Mary Dupre, Rosemary Erickson, Merle Routledge, Chad Lemar, George Schiele, Geraldine Cogdill, Ruth Schaeffer, Mildred Newman, Madeline Miller, James Duchsherer, David Theusch, Edward Schmidt, Steven Bachmeier, Jeffrey Stemen, Edward Kuhn, Caroline Keller, Modesto Rodriguez, Steven DeLorme, Heidi Petrick, and Marilyn Toy



Weddings:

Matthew Nilson and Kaitlyn Crowdus, Alexander and Heidy Dhuyvetter, Dalton Cooper and Kelsi Halvorson, Giles Snyder and Kyla Nesson, David and Christina Morris, Houston Lavachek and Emma Keller, Jacob Renne and Erin Borud, Austin Hayhurst and Mallary Klein, Jackson Pieper and Kaari Burbach, Scot Ness and Maria Ely, Dylan Stammen and Jaycey Bangen, Bradley Stevens and Estefania Dorantes, Jason and Nancy Kinlaw, Aaron and Makenzie Shewmake, Justin Ternes and Emily Borud, Brady Morgan and Samantha Caroniti, Brandon Weltikol and Rita Jesz, Mark and Faith Huether, and Tanner Tuttle and Jessi Bushnell.



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Janae: Both Steph and I came from very different backgrounds regarding Stewardship. He started his journey later than me, and I had a break in mine because of life, but it doesn't matter when you start. What matters is being open, and praying about it. Whether you jump in with both feet or just gently stick a toe in to test the waters, you will undoubtedly discover how much you will grow closer to God and receive an abundance of blessings. We will always be involved as long as we are members of OLG. Our life has been so blessed through God's love and grace.

Submitted by Stephen and Janae Ronning

Eucharistic Procession to help bring peace, prayer and healing to our nation through the Eucharistic Presence of our Lord Jesus Christ.



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MISA EN ESPAÑOL

Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

Sabado 12 de Diciembre 2020

A las 7 de La Noche

Iglesia de Our Lady of Grace

The feast in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe goes back to the 16th century. Chronicles of that period tell us the story.

A poor Indian named Cuauhtlatohuac was baptized and given the name Juan Diego. He was a 57-year-old widower, and lived in a small village near Mexico City. On Saturday morning December 9, 1531, he was on his way to a nearby barrio to attend Mass in honor of Our Lady.



Juan was walking by a hill called Tepeyac when he heard beautiful music like the warbling of birds. A radiant cloud appeared, and within it stood an Indian maiden dressed like an Aztec princess. The lady spoke to him in his own language and sent him to the bishop of Mexico, a Franciscan named Juan de Zumarraga. The bishop was to build a chapel in the place where the lady appeared.

Eventually the bishop told Juan to have the lady give him a sign. About this same time Juan's uncle became seriously ill. This led poor Juan to try to avoid the lady. Nevertheless the lady found Juan, assured him that his uncle would recover, and provided roses for Juan to carry to the bishop in his cape or tilma.



On December 12, when Juan Diego opened his tilma in the bishop's presence, the roses fell to the ground, and the bishop sank to his knees. On the tilma where the roses had been appeared an image of Mary exactly as she had appeared at the hill of Tepeyac.

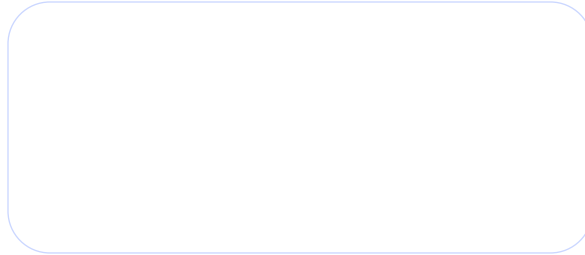
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ADVENT CARING TREE

Our Lady of Grace's Pastoral Care Committee invites you to participate in the Caring Tree Project. The children helped by this effort are often the most needy and neglected.

A Caring Tree decorated with paper ornaments will be placed in the sanctuary from November 29 through December 23.

Purple Ornaments benefit the children of the Fort Yates Indian Mission.

Pink Ornaments benefit the Adolescent Mental Health Unit of Trinity - St Joseph's Medical Center for buying mittens, socks, etc. for young patients.

White Ornaments benefit children who are victims of domestic violence.

Violet Ornaments benefit God's Child Project in Guatemala (Director is Pat Atkinson of Bismarck).

Light Blue Ornaments benefit Camp ReCreation for the developmentally disabled at Richardton, ND.

Please take an ornament of your choice, place it in an envelope with your monetary gift, and put it in one of the Sunday collections. Thank you.

By the way, your gifts are tax deductible!

